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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Complaint of Randall Ehrlich

Docket No. C2020-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING DEFERRING CERTAIN DISCOVERY DEADLINES

(Issued May 26, 2020)

On Friday May 22, 2020 the Postal Service filed a motion to dismiss the complaint with prejudice and stay all deadlines, including discovery, pending resolution of the motion.¹ The deadline to file a response to the motion is Friday May 29, 2020. See 39 C.F.R. § 3001.21(b)). As previously indicated, the Commission's website at http://www.prc.gov accepts filings from 8:00 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, except for Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

Presently, the parties' initial requests that the Presiding Officer obtain specific discovery are due on Monday June 1, 2020.² Additionally, the Presiding Officer's First Set of Interrogatories to the Complainant and the Presiding Officer's First Set of Interrogatories to the United States Postal Service are treated as if served on Monday May 18, 2020. *Id.* Because it is unknown whether the motion will be opposed in whole or in part, each of these deadlines are deferred for two weeks. After the Complainant's position on the motion is known, additional adjustments to the procedural schedule and discovery timeframes will be considered.

¹ United States Postal Service Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice the Complaint of Randall Ehrlich and Stay Deadlines, May 22, 2020.

² Presiding Officer's Ruling Denying Request for an Indefinite Abeyance and Granting 30-Day Extension of Procedural Deadline, April 24, 2020, at 2.

I. RULING

- 1. The deadline for the parties to transmit their initial requests that the Presiding Officer obtain specific discovery via e-mail is deferred to June 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (4:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time); failure to do so shall result in waiver of the right to request discovery in this case.
- The Presiding Officer's First Set of Interrogatories to the Complainant and the Presiding Officer's First Set of Interrogatories to the United States Postal Service shall be treated as if served on June 1, 2020.

Lauren A. D'Agostino Presiding Officer